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Cassava Sciences to Present at Maxim Group's Conference on Alzheimer's Disease

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AUSTIN, Texas, June 18, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Cassava Sciences, Inc. (Nasdaq: SAVA), a clinical-stage biotechnology company, announced today that Remi Barbier, its President and CEO, will present at Maxim Group's conference on Alzheimer's disease on Wednesday, June 26th, in New York. Maxim's conference for investors, titled " *Alzheimer's Disease – What's Next? Treating Alzheimer's in a Post-Amyloid World* ", will be held at their corporate offices at 405 Lexington Ave in New York.

Cassava Sciences' presentation for this conference is now available on the Company's website under <https://www.cassavasciences.com/company-presentations>.

"This conference will bring together leaders from the research community who share our commitment to improving outcomes for patients with Alzheimer's disease," said Remi Barbier, President & CEO. "We look forward to presenting our well-differentiated scientific approach."

About PTI-125

PTI-125 is an investigational drug candidate for Alzheimer's disease. This small molecule drug has a novel mechanism of action (it does not seek to clear amyloid out of the brain). Our scientific approach is to stabilize a critical protein in the brain. PTI-125 has demonstrated both cognitive improvement and slowing of disease progression in animal models of disease.

In the second half of 2019, Cassava Sciences expects to announce results of a Phase 2a study with PTI-125 in patients with Alzheimer's disease, after the clinical data are analyzed.

About Alzheimer's Disease

Alzheimer's disease is a progressive brain disorder that destroys memory and thinking skills. Eventually, a person with Alzheimer's disease may be unable to carry out even simple tasks. Currently, there are no drug therapies to halt Alzheimer's disease, much less reverse its course. Unless effective treatments are developed soon, Alzheimer's disease is likely to become one of the world's most serious health care crises.

About Cassava Sciences, Inc.

The mission of Cassava Sciences is to detect and treat neurodegenerative diseases, such as Alzheimer's disease. Over the past ten years, we have combined state-of-the-art technology with new insights in neurobiology to develop novel solutions for Alzheimer's disease. We own worldwide development and commercial rights to our research programs in Alzheimer's disease, and related technology, without royalty obligations to any third-party.

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